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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASE PINS PINT ET

SUBJ: TENNECO SEVEN

REF: STATE 115887

1. I AM NOT IN A POSITION AT THIS TIME TO JUDGE  
HOW MUCH INFLUENCE THE SYRIANS WOULD HAVE ON THE  
ELF/DAMASCUS OFFICE. NONETHELESS, IN VIEW OF THE  
IMPROVEMENT OF US/SYRIAN RELATIONS OVER THE LAST COUPLE  
OF MONTHS, I SEE NO HARM IN MAKING AN APPROACH TO THE  
SYRIAN GOVERNMENT SEEKING THEIR ASSISTANCE. I WOULD  
PRPPOSE THAT THE FORMAL APPROACH BE MADE AT THE AMERICAN  
DIRECTORATE LEVEL IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BUT THAT AT  
THE SAME TIME I ALSO MAKE AN INFORMAL PRESENTATION TO  
ONE OF MY CONTACTS AT THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE LEVEL.  
SHOULD DEPARTMENT DECIDE TO AUTHORIZE AN APPROACH TO  
THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT, I WOULD APPRECIATE A SUCCINCT RESUME  
OF THE BACKGROUND ON THE CASE TO ASSIST ME IN MAKING MY  
PRESENTATION.  
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